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AND APPARATUS, AND  
PRINT SYSTEM

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than U.S. patent documents, are enclosed. English-language abstracts for the Japanese documents are also enclosed.

The listed Japanese documents were cited in an Official Action which issued in a Japanese patent application corresponding to the subject U.S. application. A copy of the Japanese Official Action, which is dated March 6, 2006, is enclosed.

Japan 11-212403, Japan 9-27875, Japan 5-107852, Japan 2000-349949, and Japan 2001-94707 are seen to disclose test printing instructed and performed on a copy

machine. Japan 11-249859 is seen to disclose a printer that records printing data in response to REC and STOP instructions and reproduces the recording printing data in response to a PLAY instruction.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination. Therefore, no fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c)(2) is believed due. Nevertheless, the Commissioner may charge Deposit Account No. 06-1205, should any fee be due for the filing of this paper.

Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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